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EDITORIALS

AN EVENTFUL C.M.A. YEAR: GREETINGS TO OFFICERS

Retiring President Karl L. Schaupp.—On the evening of May 8, 1944, Doctor Karl L. Schaupp of San Francisco passed over to Doctor Lowell S. Goin of Los Angeles, the toga of the presidency of the California Medical Association. Thus will the State Association carry on,—founded in 1856 by a group of Forty-Niner forebears of the medical profession under the leadership of Benjamin F. Keene. With the advent of new officers, it is fitting that mention be made concerning the services rendered by the outgoing president.

Doctor Schaupp, a native son, grew up in the Bay region of San Francisco, and battled to obtain the means to secure his liberal arts education, even to the extent of going to Alaska in the gold rush days and musing it in that region. Returning to California, he entered the department of liberal arts of Stanford University, played on its then Rugby football team and though himself of most limited means, was elected president of the student body in an institution that had many sons of wealth. He received his medical degree from Stanford, and in its medical school he has long served in the department of obstetrics.

In the San Francisco County Medical Society and the California Medical Association, too, he has held many offices of responsibility. On special committees of these organizations, he has brought to bear a judgment based on keen insight and an unfailing sense of fairness.

It may, indeed, be said of him,—concerning, for example, the plans in operation for providing adequate medical service to the thousands of agricultural workers who come to California from other States,—that, without his able advice and supervision, the governmental agency in charge would have been tremendously handicapped in its obligations to furnish such proper medical and hospitalization care to this group of migratory citizens. The California Medical Association, therefore, may take justifiable pride in these achievements, so harmoniously and splendidly carried on with governmental authorities, largely through his initiative.

In similar manner, and at hardship to his own interests, because of the time and effort involved, he has served as a member of the Board of Directors of the Hospital Service of California. His